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SUBJECT: MEETING OF COMMON MARKET AMBASSADORS IN TANZANIA ON
NAMIBIA

REF: DAR ES SALAAM 2439

1. AMBASSADOR WAS INVITED TO ATTEND JULY 5 MEETING COMMON MARKET
COUNTRY AMBASSADORS IN DAR ES SALAAM TO REVIEW NAMIBIA SITUATION.

2. IN ADDITION NOTING GERMAN REPORT OF NEGATIVE SOUTH AFRICAN
REACTION NAMIBIA (REFTEL), AMBASSADORS INDICATED THAT COMMON
MARKET AFRICA EXPERTS HAD MET ON SUBJECT AND COME TO GENERALLY
NEGATIVE CONCLUSION ON PROSPECTS SOUTH AFRICAN MOVEMENT ON NAMIBIA.
IT WAS EXPECTED THAT COMMON MARKET AMBASSADORS DAR ES SALAAM WOULD
SOON BE INSTRUCTED CONVEY THIS CONCLUSION TO TANGOV IN RESPONSE
TO EARLIER TANGOV REQUEST TO THEM TO TRY PUSH VORSTER TOWARD
MOVEMENT ON NAMIBIA DURING HIS VISIT EUROPE.

3. IN RESPONSE TO QUERIES AS TO US JUDGMENT VORSTER'S INTENTIONS
RE NAMIBIA, AMBASSADOR SAID HE DID NOT YET HAVE ANYTHING
DEFINITE BUT EXPECTED ASSISTANT SECRETARY SCHAUFLE TO BRING
WORD ON THIS AND OTHER SUBJECTS TO TANGOV AT END OF WEEK
MEANWHILE, HE THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE WISE FOR EUROPEAN FRIENDS TO
PROCEED CAUTIOUSLY, SO AS TO MINIMIZE ANY CHANCE WEST MIGHT
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APPEAR TO BE SPEAKING WITH DIFFERENT VOICES. EUROPEAN AMBASSADORS

AGREED BUT SAID THEY WOULD HAVE TO DO WHAT THEIR CAPITALS
TOLD THEM TO DO.

4. COMMENT: TANGOV WILL UNDOUBTEDLY BE LOOKING TO ASSISTANT
SECRETARY SCAUFELE FOR DEFINITIVE WORD ON VORSTER REACTION TO
SECRETARY'S TALKS WITH HIM IN EUROPE. AT MOMENT, HOWEVER, IT
APPEARS AS IF SOMEWHAT PESSIMISTIC VIEW WILL ALREADY HAVE BEEN
DELIVERED BY EUROPEANS.
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